



PORTAGE COUNTY

JORDAN COUNTY PARK- WEST LODGE
1770 CTY HWY Y
STEVENS POINT, WI 54482

MEETING MINUTES

PARK COMMISSION

Thursday, October 14, 2021

5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The Park Commission meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mike Splinter, Jim Zach, George Kraft, Charles Gussel, Mildred Neville

Members Excused: Sara Brish

Members Absent:

Staff Attending: Ryan Rose, Sue McKenzie, Rex Runke

Others Attending: Jake Barnes, Kaylee Hintz, Geena Jensen

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. August 2021 minutes

A motion was made by Mike Splinter to approve. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

REPORTS

2. Vendor List
3. President's Report

President Mike Splinter asked for a moment of silence for the passing of Parks Commissioner, Anton Anday. Splinter added at the end that Anday's position would not be refilled until the April 2021 election.

4. Board Member(s) Report

Commissioner Jim Zach asked about new signs to be put up on the Tomorrow River State Trail, at the Amherst Junction crossing. Trails Coordinator Rex Runke stated that current signs were down due to road construction, the new signs have been ordered and will be placed back at the crossing, soon.

5. Parks Director Report

Parks Director Ryan Rose said that the staff is gearing up for the upcoming ending of the camping season. Rose also stated that new playgrounds have been installed at Lake Helen and Jordan Park East Lodge. Rose lastly gave an update of the progress at the Standing Rocks Dog Park.

CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

Jake Barnes asked to speak on Agenda item, 6.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

6. Discussion and Possible Action regarding closing Capital Improvement Project 510-06-02 Standing Rocks Development of a Tubing Hill.

Parks Director Ryan Rose gave a history of the tubing hill project, dating back to 1996.

Friends of Standing Rocks member Jake Barnes asked to have a one year extension on the Tubing Hill project to do a cost analysis on the project.

A motion was made by Mike Splinter, seconded by Charles Gussel, to approve the closing of Capital Improvement Project 510-06-02 Standing Rocks Development of a Tubing Hill. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

7. Discussion and possible Action regarding resolution for Snowmobile Trails Aids for 2021-2022 Season.

A motion was made by George Kraft, seconded by Jim Zach to approve. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes.

8. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Regarding Special Meeting Attendance (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)

- Request for special meeting attendance
- Approval of attendance of special meetings
- Special meeting attendance reports

Commissioner Jim Zach asked that if other members know of any meetings to attend- to bring them to the Park Commission. Zach also brought up possibly switching to virtual meetings during the second wave of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

NEXT MEETING DATE

9. November 11, 2021

ADJOURNMENT

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Notice: A quorum of the Portage County Board of Supervisors, or any committee thereof, may be present at this meeting.